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### AMENDMENT "A"

In response to the official action of October 10, 2001, please amend this patent application without prejudice as follows:

### In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 2, 7-16 and 18-24.

## Please amend claim 1 as follows:

 $^{--1}$  (Amended). An exercising and sports conditioning mat which assists in correct performance of exercise routines to contribute toward maximizing their benefit while minimizing the likelihood of injury because of the impact of landing after  $\mathcal{L}^{1/4}$   $\nu$  jumping comprising:

a plurality of layers,

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